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SUBJECT: REPORTS OF WORSENING CONDITIONS AT RAWSON PRISON

1. [REDACTED] - ENTIRE TEXT)

2. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED LETTERS FROM SEVERAL RELIGIOUS ORDERS EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER CONDITIONS IN RAWSON PRISON. LETTERS ALLEGE THAT CONDITIONS THERE HAVE SERIOUSLY DETERIORATED DURING PAST TWO MONTHS--SPECIFICALLY, THAT RECENTLY-GRANTED VISITING, RECREATION, AND COMMUNICATION PRIVILEGES HAVE BEEN REVOKED.

3. THE CORRESPONDENTS--AMONG THEM, THE MARYKNOLLERS AND THE PASSIONISTS--CITE THE ORGANIZATION FOR CHRISTIAN ACTION ON ARGENTINA AS SOURCE FOR SOME OF THESE REPORTS. THEY CREDIT THE EMBASSY WITH HAVING EARLIER HELPED TO ACHIEVE IMPROVEMENTS IN PRISON CONDITIONS AND REQUEST THAT AMBASSADOR CASTRO AGAIN RAISE THE MATTER WITH GOA OFFICIALS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS ON FOREGOING REPORTS, AND ANY RECENT INFORMATION YOU MAY HAVE ON CONDITIONS AT RAWSON AND POSSIBLE RESURFACING THERE OF DESAPARECIDOS. VANCE  
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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

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